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My residence, post office address and citizenship are stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is described and claimed in patent number 6,020,974, granted February 1, 2000, and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled COMMUNICATING APPARATUS,

the specification of which

☐ is attached hereto.

☒ was filed on January 31, 2002 as reissue application number (not yet assigned). Reissue Application of US 6,020,974 /  
and was amended on January 31, 2002.  
(If applicable)

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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Applicants failed to appreciate the full scope of the invention.

Claims 7, 9 and 11 generally correspond to claim 1 of the issued patent, but do not require the use of an interface means. Claims 8 and 10 depend on claims 7 and 9, respectfully, and recite the interface means. Claim 12 more explicitly recites a computer as part of the apparatus. Claim 13 corresponds to claim 1 of the issued patent, but does not require that the interface means control a serial communication with a personal computer.

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